



Meeting Minutes January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Opening:**

The regular meeting of the Brennan Estates Home Owners Maintenance Corporation was called to order at 7:05 pm on January 11th 2017 in Olive B. Loss by Heather McVey.

**Present:**

Heather McVey

Vickie Coulter- Phillips

Proxy: Rose Smith

Sehkar Artula

Proxy: Zenobia Thompson

Proxy: Gerri Thomas

Ernie Dempsey

Courtney Glasgow-Rinaldi

**Guest speakers:**

District Representative Earl Jacques

Stephanie Hansen, Democrat Rep for New Castle County Senate seat

**District Rep. Earl Jacques representing Senator Bethany Hall-Long:**

- They are working with DelDot to open the old road they are hoping to hear back by the end of the week. The new road will not be opened for a while; the actual end date is December 2018.
- They will be dedicating the Michael Castle walkway, which goes from Delaware City to Chesapeake City, will now be open and they will be cutting the ribbon on Friday. They will be adding parking so you can park, walk and ride your bike.

**Stephanie Hansen:**

- Came to share info about voting for her in the State Senate seat. She is a Democrat and the date of the election has not been set. The election must take place 45 days after Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long leaves office. Most likely the last few days of February.

- We should know the date of the election by Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> 2017.
- She was the former President of New Castle County Counsel; she was the found of the Bear-Glasgow counsel civic organizations. She was very involved in the development of the Brennan Estates community development.
- She initiated and pushed for the Glasgow Park, Troop 2, the Post Office and the Bear Library.
- She went to Widener University to law school and she became an environmental law Attorney. She redevelops commercial and industrial properties to bring in jobs. She would like to bring more jobs to the New Castle County. She learned to manage a budget on county counsel and feels that her experience and skill can help the County. She would also like to help with substance and mental health abuse.

### **Budget 2017:**

Final draft. Nothing has changed too much. There are a few lines added such as the playground and other checks that has cleared in the month of December. This is the final copy and what will be sent out to the public. We have made a lot of money this year. Neighborhood has been great with getting monies due to us. We did really well well this year.

### **Election of Board Members:**

This year everything is opposite of last year. This will be sent out with the budget as well. You can only vote for your section (the section you live in). Zenobia's term is up and she is running. Gerri and Ernie are both reelect. Victor is also a reelect. We have one open seat available for the townhomes and the Woodlands.

### **Glenn Memorial:**

We need a plaque for our memorial. Heather would like someone to research a plaque company so we can get a 10-inch plaque.

### **Tennis Courts:**

Vickie never heard back from the company so we will be going to court for this matter.

### **Broken Fencing:**

Ernie will handle this matter so we no longer have to worry about it.

### **Playground Updates:**

The playground equipment is in the works. Everything has been ordered and most of the parts are in and we are just waiting on the weather to break. Maybe about March or April, Mark (the playground installer) when the weather is about 45 degrees for 3 days, he can come out and roll on the Teflon/rubber mixture.

### **Basketball Nets:**

The nylon netting is about \$3-10 but someone keeps changing them. We have decided to not go with the metal netting due to damage to balls and the risk of injury to children. Netting is \$3 and that is feasible for the budget.

**Gazebo Lighting:**

We will hold off for this until our next meeting because we did not have the proposal. We are waiting for the proposal at the moment. We are trying to see if we can get electric closer to the Gazebo or see how much it would be to trench to the nearest electric.

**Questions and Answers:**

None at this time.

**Financial Info:**

BUSINESS SUPER MONEY MARKET  
REPLACEMENT OF ASSETS ....1842  
\$104,261.00

BUSINESS SUPER MONEY MARKET  
SNOW FUND ...634  
\$8511.49

BUSINESS CONVENIENCE CHECKING ....626  
\$19,844.58

**Any homeowner who would like a copy of this report may contact Gerri Thomas  
[302.832.6170](tel:302.832.6170)**

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Our next meeting will be February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Olive B. Loss Elementary Library.

Minutes submitted by: Alicia Diaz

Approved by: Heather McVey



Meeting Minutes February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Opening:**

The Annual Budget Meeting of the Brennan Estates Home Owners Maintenance Corporation was called to order at 7:05 pm on February 8th 2017 in Olive B. Loss by Heather McVey.

**Present:**

Heather McVey

Vickie Coulter- Phillips

Rose Smith

Sehkar Artula

Zenobia Thompson

Gerri Thomas

Ernie Dempsey

Courtney Glasgow-Rinaldi

**Guest speakers:**

District Representative Earl Jacques

Dr. Jessica (Martin) Berkeridge

Stephanie Hansen- Democrat Senate seat representative

John Reno- Republican Senate seat representative

Officer -CES- Community Enforcement Specialist

**District Rep. Earl Jacques representing Senator Bethany Hall-Long:**

- Earl gave Heather info to get the speeding signs repaired
- The issue where the car hit the sign and the curb (Brennan BLVD) they replaced the sign and the curb has a work order and probably by the spring, it should be completed.
- They have opened House school Rd and they plan to keep it open through the winter. The new road will be opened by spring and they will then close the old road again.

- They are talking about putting a light back at Denney Rd. They are looking into that due to the residents of Clairborne having trouble getting across the two lanes.
- They plan to start putting tar in the cracks in the Spring
- The repaving will start in the front (Brennan Blvd) of the development and it should start soon. They will be repaving “patches” to cover potholes.

### **Dr. Jessica (Martin) Berkeridge:**

- Came to share info about a veterinary hospital she plans to build. She has been a Veterinary for 8 years and lived in Middletown all her life. She has practiced at a local Veterinary hospital for the past 7 years.
- She will be going in front of the Board of adjustments at the end of February. The current use of the facility she plans to have the veterinary hospital is a Lawn and Garden Center. She has to change the special use code. They plan to redesign the building that is currently there into a 3-part hospital; one for the main hospital, a second building for boarding and kennels and a future proposal space for future expansion.
- The building will be located at the corner of 896 and 71. It will be designed with a residential style building and they hope to be open within 6 months of Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- The sounds of the highway should be higher than the sounds of the kennels.
- She plans to do payment plans to help with the cost of bills and drop offs, where you can drop your pet off for an appointments and have them there all day then pick them up on your way home from work.

### **John Reno:**

- John is running for the State Senate seat for New Castle County. He is a Republican party and he has been in law enforcement for over 10 years. He has run for office two times before.
- He is very concerned about some things that are going on in Delaware. Some things such as heroin epidemic, issue with the economy. He has a passion to serve his community and has been a resident of this state for over 20 years. He comes back to want to serve the community.
- He states that he will be very attentive to the community and the state and how we are 9<sup>th</sup> in the nation for heroin overdose. He is committed to the state, helping with jobs and making sure we fix the budget issue in our state. We must save lives and he will be the person to help fight for the issues in the State.

### **Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long:**

She came by to say Thank you to the community!

### **Stephanie Hansen:**

Stopped by to reiterate the reason everyone should vote for her. She would like to bring good jobs to Delaware!

### **2017 Budget Vote:**

All of the budget votes that we received were a yes. We did not receive any no's. Budget has been approved as submitted.

### **2017 Vote for Board:**

Victor is back in, Zenobia got a vote and she is back in.

- Heather makes a motion to reelect Ernie as Vice President.

Gerri 2nds

All in favor.

- Ernie makes a motion to reelect Heather as President.

Vickie 2nds.

All in favor.

- Heather makes a motion to reelect Gerri Thomas.

Zenobia 2nds

All in favor.

- Heather makes a motion to reelect Rose.

Carol 2nds

All in favor

### **Around the neighborhood:**

- There was a lamp pole knocked down in Southwood's.
- There has been a case of stealing of the dog clean up bags (aka poop bags) and stations.
- **There has been unregistered salesman going to homes in the community. The salesperson has been coming around 9 pm, being very pushy and parking far away. You have the right to ask for badges from salespeople. If they do not have a badge, do not let them in. Religious and political affiliates do not need to register. Please beware who you open your door to, please be safe and if it looks suspicious, call the police.**

### **Questions and Answers:**

None at the present time.

### **Financial Info:**

BUSINESS SUPER MONEY MARKET

REPLACEMENT OF ASSETS ....1842

\$111,693.60

BUSINESS SUPER MONEY MARKET

SNOW FUND ...634

\$45,722.17

BUSINESS CONVENIENCE CHECKING ....626

\$35,944.12

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**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Our next meeting will be March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at Olive B. Loss Elementary Library.

Minutes submitted by: Alicia Diaz

Approved by: Heather McVey

## Brennan Estates Board Meeting

Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017

<u>Members in Attendance:</u>	<u>Position:</u>	<u>Section:</u>
Heather Pasquariello	President	Meadows
Ernest Dempsey	Vice President	Meadows
Rose Ann Smith	Correspondence Secretary	Terrace Townhomes
Sekhar Arutla	Board Member	Southwoods
Vickie Coulter-Phillips	Board Member	Terraces Singles
Courtney Glasgow-Rinaldi	Board Member	Meadows
Zenobia Thompson	Board Member	Aurbors
Victor Santos	Board Member	Terrace Townhomes

President brought the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. She commented that not all meetings for the year will be on the second Tuesday of the month as there were issues with the school library schedule.

Introductions were made around the room.

Senator: Ms. Stephanie Hansen noted that the section of Brenna Blvd from 896 to Ballina Blvd will be paved in the coming months.

October 7<sup>th</sup> at Hodson VoTech- She will be hosting a meeting on various items of community interest for HOA's and Maintenance Corps.

President Pasquariello noted that this meeting will be helpful to the board.

Sen Hansen is working on several new legislation. She is working on "healthy schools" issues. DSEA brought the low healthfulness of some schools to her attention. She is looking to get inspection documents or procedures. Sen Hansen is also considering substance abuse issues—pain management practices to offer alternative medicine such as Acupuncture, Massage, and chiropractic before prescribing long-term opiates. Ecological task force meeting to protect Delaware land/insects/native life.

President noted to the Senator that past issues of bank ownership of homes cause issues for the neighborhood. When houses are vacated, the lawns become overgrown and regular deterioration of the homes occurs without regular care. The County is responsible for the upkeep of these homes, but often the homes go completely ignored.

### **Fitness Trail**

Addressing the issue of the Fitness Trail. Sahit Reddi a local Boy Scout from Troop 902 is working toward his Eagle Badge. He would like to focus on the betterment of our neighborhood health and has proposed a Fitness Trail along Brennan Blvd. He would like if Brennan Estates would contribute something financially, but would do his own fundraising as well. Included was a cost estimate of \$1500.

President asked if the board was willing to vote on this project. Some board members had concerns about this trail impeding the sidewalk. President Pasquariello assured everyone that it would not impede the sidewalk. President Pasquariello noted that maintenance of this trail would be up to the Board.

A vote was called. Ernie made a motion to vote in favor of the trail. Zenobia seconded. Heather called for a unanimous vote. All were in favor.

The Fitness Trail is approved.



Second in order was called to vote on the amount to donate to this project. \$500 was the amount agreed upon to donate to this project by the board.

### **Open Board Seats**

Woodlands and Terrace have open board seats. Any qualified community member is welcome to indicate their interest.

### **Neighborhood resources.**

\$17,000 has been collected.

### **Deed Restrictions Committee**

Currently, there are 2 major items on the agenda. There is a new shed that popped up. A notification was issued; 30 days were given to have the shed removed. It has not been removed and this issue has now been sent to the attorney's office. The second issue is that we are now in a full lawsuit with the tennis court repair company. More to come

### **Tennis Courts**

The last thing is a quote from Richard's Paving. Discussions on whether to fix vs. Re-do courts steps were had. Additional research needed on options available concerning cost and time expected for the project to be completed. Light research was done as of late, more research is needed. Mr. Sakhar Arutla agreed to do the necessary research.

### **Budget Committee**

Vickie and Rose to oversee this. A small increase is needed yearly for the annual dues as a cost of living increase.

### **Deed Restriction Committee**

The board secretary will send warning letters and track violations and follow-ups. Courtney will spearhead, but the board will all contribute to sharing violations that they see. Rose suggested a shared Google file so everyone can contribute towards it.

### **Architectural Guideline Committee**

A question was addressed about roof replacement and if prior approval is required from Arch Committee. Per deed restrictions, ANY exterior changes must have approval from board PRIOR to any work completed. On a side note, only dark brown roof shingles are allowed. Heather and Ernie will continue this committee.

### **2017 Summer Updates**

There were many bad storms and many trees died/ fell. They have been lifted and cleaned of appropriately.

The front entrance project is complete.

### **2017 Projects**

Fall cleanup coming up. Bush Hog the woods lines and cut back.

The front sprinklers are almost ready to be shut off and winterized.

One of the fountains isn't working. Gerri to call Allan Dean Electric.

The subsections Sign restorations are approved and will be completed by end of year.

Additional signs around the pond that are more threatening should be created and put up.

Chemicals in the pond are dangerous. People are ignoring the existing signs and are most likely going to be harmed if they do not heed the warnings.

New trash cans to be ordered for multiple areas to promote and enhance community cleanliness.

Masonry work needs to be done to the front steps and flower beds. No luck finding someone who is willing to do a small job. Maybe a hardscape expert could be good? Dan to call hardscape professional. Can be done in 2018 if need be.

### **2018 Projects to Plan For**

Playground inspection to be scheduled for May 2018

Every 2-year inspection (costs \$2200) since the playgrounds are at the end of their lifespans.

Tennis court reconstruction to be discussed and addressed further.

Gazebo on Primrose needs to be re-done.

### **Conclusion**

A motion was made to end the meeting. All agreed and the meeting was commenced at 8:24 PM.

### **Next Meeting Date**

Next meeting to be held October 11th

Brennan Estates Board Meeting  
Olive B. Loss Elementary School Library  
Wednesday October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 7 PM

Members in Attendance:	Position:	Section:
Heather Pasquariello	President	Meadows
Ernest Dempsey	Vice President	Meadows
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Victor Santos	Board Member	Terrace
Abeer Amir	Townhomes Representative	Terrace Townhomes
Geraldine Thomas	Treasurer	????

President Pasquariello brought the meeting to order at 7:02

State Representative Earl Jaques took the floor. He noted the road deterioration in the community. Brennan Blvd to Ballina will start to be replaced. It will be done in pieces over the next couple of years.

896 is being completely redone. He noted that it will not take much longer until completion. House School Road should be completed by December.

Secretary of US Education added Olive B Loss as one of the top 100 schools in the country.

#### **Neighborhood Resources**

Neighborhood resources have taken on deed restriction violations.

#### **Deed Restriction Committee**

Top 10 Deed restrictions violations that we can keep in house

1. Trash Cans. If a notice is given, and the issue is resolved immediately, the problem can happen again the next week
2. Basketball hoops—we can keep in house.
3. Boats
4. Exterior changes to home—send letters
  - a. Everyone is replacing the roofs, and everyone is getting different colors. In the by-laws it says that ANY exterior changes must be approved by construction committee.
5. Trampolines (In house)
6. Pool (Neighborhood Resources)
7. Shutters/Siding (In house)
8. Signs (to be sent out to lawyer)
9. Recreational Vehicles will be handled first in house, then out of house, if necessary.
10. Sheds (Neighborhood Resources)

Vehicles on the street. If it is untagged and abandoned, we don't have to pay to have it removed. We send a letter to any tow company, they contact the county police to make sure it's not a stolen car. If they come in with a trailer or RV or Boats, it's up to us to deal with that.

Courtney asked if there is a car that is having work done, what can be done? President Pasquariello said she would contact the county to ask.

Cases where the fences violate Brennan Estates guidelines are to be sent to lawyer

### **Architectural Approval Committee**

A lot of new roofs and solar panels. We should put out a letter reminding people of the community guidelines on roofs and solar panel approval process—which is simple.

A lot of storms—lots of generators wanting to be put in. Brennan residents need to get approval before having work done.

### **Storm Water Management**

Storm water Pond Number 3 has one resident complaint. Behind Forsythia, the narrow long pond. Janice from NCC is sending the yearly inspection report. The county handles all structural issues with the pond, the community maintains them. Prior inspection on the pond in July 2017 passed.

At the meeting that most board members attended, NCC Janice noted that all ponds need a 10 foot “no-mow zone” where there are wildflowers and wild grass to maintain the integrity of the pond and Delaware wildlife.

Implementing a 10-Foot “No mow zone” and planting wild grass and wildflowers would deter the geese which would help the Ph not be so high which would help save the community money.

It was suggested that we try this with one pond to see how effective it is and decide on implementing this in other ponds after.

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It was brought to our attention that there is an individual that forged the Brennan Logo and issued a notice on Brittany Lane—we’re pretty sure we know the person, but this should stop as it is illegal. Brennan only mails notices – does not post them on the offence.

### **County Meeting Update**

A couple things that we learned were—Concerning Deed Restriction Enforcement; lawyers will send a letter for deed restrictions or neighborhood restrictions. Neighborhood Resources should handle the lower dollar cases, but we should look for a good lawyer to handle the higher dollar delinquent cases.

Liens against delinquent properties can be taken to Superior Court after a period of time, but it must be absolutely worth the cost.

There is a proper way to collect money. Suggested - publish a clear-cut collections policy and distribute it to Brennan residents so they are aware.

### **Collection Policy**

The Brennan Estates Board needs to create, outline, vote on, and publish a new policy.

This should be included in a new Newsletter.

The county is supposed to collect bills. There is going to be a bill sent to residents in March, and a reminder in May, August, and November.

Sekhar Arutla suggested that if someone is already delinquent and they make a payment, the payment goes to current dues, not past dues. Committee members present agreed that this would be a good policy.

We must outline very clearly when we consider a property to be delinquent after the due date.

There are 2 bills from the County at the same time: Maintenance Corporation Dues, and then a similar amount due for Sewer. This confuses residents sometimes.

July 1<sup>st</sup> is a clear date to be defined as when you will be sent to Collections. We are completely interested in doing payment plans for residents who can't afford an annual plan.

A policy of communication to the board of financial hardship is encouraged. We will accept payment plans for those that are in need of help.

Finalization of the collection policy will be further discussed and determined at a later point.

### **Newsletter**

A new Newsletter is to be sent out. This newsletter is to be short and to the point. It will address who the board members are, what they do, and helpful hints and reminders of policies.

One of the things to be included is "Who the Board is" should be what the board is responsible for as well as how many amenities are taken care of by the board.

It will be noted in the newsletter that as a homeowner, it is your fiduciary duty to pay your dues for the community if the community is a deed restricted community. "YOU HAVE A LEGAL OBLIGATION TO PAY ANNUAL ASSESSMENT" to be included on the newsletter.

There should also be a warning included about the pond as runoff water is dangerous to animals and humans. It is unlawful to fish or swim in the ponds.

It was suggested that we list our dues and amenities and compare them to other communities and dues

The board agreed to discuss the newsletter more at a later date.

President Pasquariello asked the board members to email 2 ideas to put in the Newsletter.

### **Board Leadership Workshop**

There will be a Board Leadership Workshop available. If anyone wants to go, they can. It is Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-3:45 PM at the NCC Public Safety Building. Please contact President Pasquariello if you would like to register to go.

### **Conclusion**

A motion was made to end the meeting. All agreed and it was commenced at 8:30 PM.

### **Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be held November 8<sup>th</sup>.

Brennan Estates Board Meeting  
Olive B. Loss Elementary School Library  
Wednesday November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 7PM

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Geraldine Thomas	Treasurer	Meadows

President Pasquariello brought the meeting to order at 7:02

10<sup>th</sup> District State Senator Stephanie Hansen noted that she had passed a few pieces of legislation concerning the DMV. One piece of legislation allows electronic signatures rather than an in-person visit to the DMV. The other piece of legislation allows people with new cars to go seven years without renewing their registration rather than five.

She also noted that she is working with other legislators and statesmen and women to try to work with insurance companies to allow or even encourage alternate therapy options rather than addictive medication.

Senator Hansen noted that she does a program called "Coffee and Conversation with Constituents" in People's Plaza at Whereabouts café. The next installment of this will be noted on her Facebook page, so look out for that.

#### **Home owner Q&A**

None present

#### **Neighborhood Resources Update**

Neighborhood resources have taken on deed restriction violations. Brennan will put out a newsletter soon addressing some of the concerns regarding violations as well as a few reminders on policy and procedure. Steve to be invited to the next meeting.

#### **Deed Restriction Committee**

There are many new roofs being put in. Most people have been following the deed restrictions by getting approval and matching the color. There are some people who are not following deed restriction guidelines, which means that they are not getting approval from the board and not matching the approved shingle color. These cases are being turned over to the attorney.

We should contact the county to ask if there is an additional place to post our reminders and newsletters in addition to emailing and posting on the website, so community members cannot assert that the consequences of violating deed restrictions do not pertain to them due to their ignorance of the deed restrictions themselves.

#### **Architectural Approval Committee**

A letter will be sent to community members notifying them of their responsibilities as members of a deed restriction community.

#### **Storm Water Management**

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DELDOT sent a letter with visual proof of Brennan Community members polluting a pond with yard waste. The community members will be sent a letter demanding they clear their pollution. In the case that the Brennan Board be charged by DELDOT for pollution, the responsible Brennan community member(s) will be forwarded the charge.

Model wolves and coyotes will be cemented and placed in metal enclosures and then placed near the ponds to scare away geese and other wildlife from the ponds.

**Collection Policy**

Finalization of the collection policy will be further discussed and determined at a later point.

**Newsletter**

A new Newsletter is to be sent out this month. This newsletter is to be short and to the point. It will address the top 3 deed restriction violations. It will have all the Brennan website and Facebook information.

It will be noted in the annual newsletter that as a homeowner, it is the community member's fiduciary duty to pay dues for the community if the community is a deed restricted community. "YOU HAVE A LEGAL OBLIGATION TO PAY ANNUAL ASSESSMENT" to be included on the newsletter.

**Open Spaces**

The geese are an issue around the ponds as their excrement changes the Ph levels of the ponds. We will be purchasing a few fake dogs to be installed near the pond that will hopefully keep them away. The county has sent the board a letter saying that someone has been dumping grass clippings along Orchid Drive. A notice will be sent to the offender noting that they must clean it up.

**Conclusion**

A motion was made to end the meeting. All agreed, and the meeting was commenced at 8:18 PM.

**Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be held December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Brennan Estates Board Meeting  
Olive B. Loss Elementary School Library  
Wednesday December 20th, 2017 7PM

Members of the Board:	Position:	Section:
Heather Pasquariello	President	Meadows
Ernest Dempsey	Vice President	Meadows
Geraldine Thomas	Treasurer	Meadows
Rose Ann Smith	Correspondence Secretary	Terrace Townhomes
Abeer Amir(Absent)	Board Member	Terrace Townhomes
Zenobia Thompson (Absent)	Board Member	Arbors
Courtney Glasgow-Rinaldi	Board Member	Meadows
Sekhar Arutla	Board Member	Southwoods
Vickie Coulter-Phillips	Board Member	Terraces Singles
Victor Santos (Absent)	Board Member	Terrace Townhomes
Errol Rodriguez	Board Member	Woodlands

President Pasquariello brought the meeting to order at 7:00

Earl Jaques took the floor to note that there are negotiations concerning land that was part of the former 896 project. House School Road should be open starting on December 23<sup>rd</sup>. 896-40 intersection project should be pushed forward from 2020 to more recently. The intersection at 40 and 72 is underway. There is a program to widen route 72 from the diamond to Chandler Woods. There are 3 options for the 895-195 interchange. 2 options include “flyovers” the third includes about 5 traffic lights. If you go to [Delaware.gov](http://Delaware.gov) and go to the DELDOT tab, you can still comment your opinions. The next coffee/tea event with Senator Hanson should be early February. There is an alarming number of packages being stolen. Please watch out.

#### **Homeowner Q & A**

No questions were asked as there were no homeowners in attendance other than the board members.

#### **OBL Walk-A-THON**

Olive B Loss would like to host a 5K in Brennan at some point during the spring. They are asking for permission. President Pasquariello asked the board for their opinions. The school is willing to hire a couple State Police officers to stop and direct traffic.

The board was in favor of the event.

#### **Annual Budget**

The Board has benefitted from Neighborhood Resources. It has helped track and collect funds in a more organized fashion. There is more income to be expected soon as there are still delinquent properties. The most extreme delinquent cases have been sent to a lawyer for further action.

The board has been fiscally responsible and conservative with the funds collected.

Ernie questioned about Brine for the roads to aid with ice accumulation on Brennan Boulevard. This option will be considered. Sekhar questioned how much snow must accumulate before the plow will come. It was noted that 3.5 inches must accumulate before the plow will come and Salting is not required. President Pasquariello noted that the price for salting is very high so the salt trucks do not go to every street, but the trucks salt high traffic areas and the wheels on cars carry that salt to the various streets.

Rose noted that the total expenses are not expected to exceed the budget.



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The committee read through the budget thoroughly and took some time for private review and consideration.

President Pasquariello made a MOTION to approve the budget. All were in favor. The budget was APPROVED.

It was suggested that Brennan do a shred truck event for May. The board agreed that it was a good idea following Tax season.

**Conclusion**

A Motion was made to end the meeting. All agreed, and the meeting was commenced at 8:30 PM.

**Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be held January 10th